

Creeks, Drainage and Wastewater Advisory Committee (CDWAC) – 2010 Work Plan

Business Area (BA) Key			
WQ	Water Quality		
SCM	Source Control & Maintenance		
WSS	Watershed Science & Strategy		
ROW/Code	Restore our waters/ Code		
CSO	Combined System		
SS	Separated System		
AM	Asset Maintenance		
LOB	Line of Business-wide		

* Topics will be adjusted as the year goes on to allow for emerging issues and CDWAC interest

Topic *	Description	CDWAC Role	When	BA
SPU's Updated	Bachen and Rhay present highlights of updated	Briefing/orientation	1Q	LOB
Strategic Outlook re:	strategy at 1 st meeting to launch the year, including			
DWW	updates on: reorganization within the DWW Line			
	of Business; urban watershed strategy and work			
	with the Puget Sound Partnership			
Adopted 2010	Debrief budget decisions	Briefing	1Q	LOB
Budget				
Community outreach	Discuss how the committee members can best	Q1- Race and Social Justice Initiative	1Q-	LOB
and representation	represent CDWAC in their community and	Presentation	4Q	
	represent the community as CDWAC members	Q1-4 - Followup discussion and decisions on		
		how to apply the RSJ Initiative to the		
		recruitment of new members and the work of		
		the committee including outreach and input.		
Green Stormwater	GSI to the Maximum Extent Feasible is now	The purpose is to inform the committee and to	1Q	CSO,
Infrastructure (GSI)	required in the stormwater code and will be	seek recommendations on ways to encourage		SS,
	increasingly used as a strategy to control runoff.	public participation in GSI programs to have		WSS,
	However, relying solely on redevelopment to	as significant an impact on CSOs, creeks and		ROW

	impact runoff will result in slow progress. We will review existing efforts to encourage GSI use and seek input on how to make this tool as effective as possible for controlling flow into the combined sewer system and to creeks and wetlands.	wetlands as possible. How could GSI work translate into the creation of green jobs?		
Preparing neighborhoods for storms	Update what is being done to help citizens prepare for storms. Highlight work being done with citizens in the Meadowbrook area that is designed to better prepare residents for storms by providing relevant and timely information	Briefing, discussion and recommendations about this approach to helping citizens prepare for high rainfall events. Would this would be a good model for other areas? What information is helpful and what are the best ways to communicate that information?	2Q	SS
Watershed planning	Update progress on the Urban Watershed strategy that is designed to identify problems in drainage areas and to help prioritize programs and projects.	Briefing, feedback and followup discussion on how this information can be used to inform localized committees to help them focus on what can be done to help address identified problems.	2Q	LOB
Street sweeping	Describe proposal to utilize street sweeping to collect pollutants before they enter the drainage system.	Briefing and feedback on proposal, especially in terms of potential routes, key areas to target and how street sweeping affects street parking.	2Q	WQ, WSS
Committee Communications/role	There are several committees who provide advice to SPU regarding stormwater and wastewater management	Gather ideas and input on the role of CDWAC and how this fits with the roles of the Restore Our Waters group, watershed councils and any others where they might be overlap. How do we focus the CDWAC work so that we avoid duplicating work or neglecting important issues? How do we encourage good communication with other committees?	3Q	LOB
Rates and Budget 2011-2012	SPU will develop its 2011-2012 budget proposal this year and will brief the committee on what will be included	Briefing and discussion of changes in the budget and their impact on rates	3Q	LOB
Culvert repair and replacement	A proposal to create a program to repair or replace high priority culverts is being considered.	Briefing and discussion	4Q	LOB
Comprehensive, long term planning	Describe what is being done to evaluate and address the impacts of anticipated growth on system infrastructure	Briefing and feedback. Provides information that may be of interest to neighborhood and other groups	4Q	LOB, SS, CSO

Committee planning	Develop next year's work plan	CDWAC members and SPU staff work	4Q	LOB
		together to develop list of topics for 2011		